

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~[[S]]~~sheet delivery device for a printing machine, preferably for an electrophotographically operating printing machine, comprising:
a transfer path on which sheets are transported from a path entry of said transfer path to a path exit of said transfer path via said transfer path, wherein
~~characterized in that~~
a specific height level is assigned to the path exit, while the path entry is configured in a height-variable manner, and at least two successive deflecting elements located in the course of the transfer path together form an S-shaped path segment.
2. (Currently Amended) Sheet delivery device as in Claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the height level of the path exit corresponds to the maximum height level of the path entry.
3. (Currently Amended) Sheet delivery device as in Claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the horizontal distance between the path exit and the path entry is independent of the height adjustment of the path entry.
4. (Currently Amended) Sheet delivery device as in ~~one of the previous~~ claim~~[[s]]~~ 1, ~~characterized in that~~, when the height of the path entry is changed, the course of the transfer path changes automatically in such a manner that the length of the transfer path is retained as is.
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Cancelled)